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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Brian Cruickshank

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests a one (1) month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action. The response period is presently set to expire on February 16, 2005, and if this Request for Extension of Time is granted, the new response date will be March 16, 2005.

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of November 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: